

### **Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace paragraph 10 on page 4 with the following amended paragraph:

[0010] One aspect of the invention is that it allows users to record the steps of a web-based transaction (e.g. buying a book on the web) using a normal browser by utilizing a filter proxy as a web proxy. The invention allows the filter proxy to see the HTTP request before the secure connection is made. The filter proxy is enabled to record secure requests. Other aspects of this invention include at least: 1) the filter proxy does not have to keep a list of altered secure URLs because the appended string of characters identifies the altered secure URLs; 2) the filter proxy also provides a mechanism to differentiate new page requests from requests for embedded objects; 3) multiple proxies can be instantiated to allow multiple recording sessions; and 4) the filter proxy ~~can~~ can provide other filtering of the request and response (e.g. HTTP headers can be filtered).

Please replace paragraph 37 on page 17 with the following amended paragraph:

[0037] FIG. 11 shows a block diagram of the HTTP transaction test and the associated configuration tool. The configuration tool 1100 includes a browser-based configuration tool 1101, a configuration servlet 1102, a configuration proxy 1103 and a DMS 1104 (in particular, the SMM 1005 which is utilized in configuration ~~editing~~ editing). The configuration tool is a web browser-based interface made up of a control panel 1106 for configuring transactions, a step editor 1107 for editing steps within a transaction and a page content 1108 which displays the interaction with the actual web site being tested.

Please replace paragraph 40 on page 19 with the following amended paragraph:

[0040] Further, the filter proxy has SSL libraries to establish a secure connection to the server and complete the transaction. Since the proxy is parsing the HTML while looking for secure references, it also has the ability to identify embedded objects. Identification of embedded objects allows for differentiation of requests for new pages

from embedded objects. The proxy keeps a list of embedded objects. The objects can be kept in any type of file or list. When the proxy receives a request, it checks the list for the requested URL. If the URL is in the list, it is an embedded object and not a request for a new page that ~~should~~ should be recorded. If the URL is not in the list, the request is for a new page. The URL is then recorded and the list is cleared.